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NEWSLETTER 18TH FEBRUARY 2024
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR B
WHEN HE CALLS ON ME,
I WILL ANSWER HIM;
I WILL DELIVER HIM AND GIVE HIM GLORY,
I WILL GRANT HIM LENGTH OF DAYS.

Be merciful, O Lord, for we have sinned.

On Ash Wednesday we began our journey with Christ. As a journey that will last for about 40 days, the Lenten season presents to us the opportunity of re-living the Paschal mystery of Christ. It exposes us to other dimensions of life, and thus, equips us for the glory of Easter.

This first Sunday of Lent starts on a hopeful and joyful note. The readings bring in view concepts like faith, forgiveness, salvation, and victory over sin. These remind us of the need to praise God for the great wonders he worked for our fathers in faith. Through our participation this Lent God is ready to extend the same wonders to us.

This season, therefore, we are to be mindful of the fact that temptations abound, just as our Lord was tempted today by the devil in Mark's gospel, but failed, so will the devil not succeed with us too if we do not give him any opportunity in our lives.

Above all, dear brothers, and sisters, we must allow the Holy Spirit to oversee our lives by being docile to Him. Because trusting in the arm of our own flesh will not help us this season. Our help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth. Let our father who sees everything that is done in secret reward all our good deeds during this Holy season of Lent.

Wishing you all a spiritually refreshing Lenten Season!
Fr Lucius

This Week's Mass Schedule

21/02/2024 Wednesday	8:00am
Fair Haven	10:00am
22/02/2024 Thursday	12:00pm
23/02/2024 Friday	8:30am
24/02/2024 Saturday	6:00pm
25/02/2024 Sunday	
Maryborough	8:00am
Tiaro	10:00am

1st RITE OF RECONCILIATION
EVERY SATURDAY 5 - 5.30pm

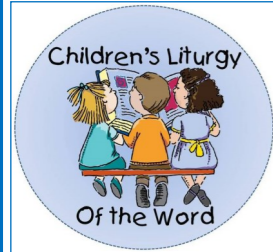
STATIONS OF THE CROSS
Every Friday during Lent at 5:15 pm.

Please Ensure Silence In The Church By Supporting Silent Prayer

READINGS
1st Sunday of Lent - Year B (p.531) in St Pauls Missal)
• 1st - Genesis 9:8-15
• Psalm - 24 Resp. hymns page
• 2nd - 1 Peter 3:18-22
• Gospel Accl. hymns page
• Gospel - Mark 1:12-15

Next weekend: 2nd Sunday of Lent - Year B (p.535)
• 1st-Genesis 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18
• Psalm - 115
• 2nd - Romans 8:31-34
• Gospel - Mark 9:2-10

STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be prayed every Friday during Lent at 5:15 pm in St Mary's. This is another commitment to make the most during the Lenten season by walking the path to Calvary with Jesus.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY: All the children are encouraged to join the entrance procession on Sunday 8am Mass. Children will join the entrance procession. Fr. Lucius will give them the Bible and the Cross and children will leave the congregation with the Children's Liturgy Team to celebrate and reflect on the Word which is adapted to their understanding. They will join the congregation after the Creed. We request all parents to support and encourage the Children for this celebration.



Schedule for Lent and Holy Week 2024

The Second Rite of Reconciliation (Communal Celebration)

Sacred Heart, Tiaro: Sunday 17th March After 10 am Mass
 St Mary's: Wednesday 20th March 5.30 pm

Mass Timings

Saturday 23 rd March	Vigil for Passion	6 pm	St Mary's
Sunday 24 th March	Passion Sunday	8 am	St Mary's
		10 am	Tiara
Thursday 28 th March	Lord's Supper	7 pm	St Mary's
Friday 29 th March	Stations of the Cross	10 am	St Mary's
	Solemn Liturgy	3 pm	St Mary's
Saturday 30 th March	Holy Saturday Vigil	6 pm	St Mary's
	(including RCIA - Full Initiation)		
Sunday 31 st March	Easter Sunday	8 am	St Mary's
		10 am	Tiara

NOTE: Stations of the Cross will be held each Friday during Lent at 5.15pm at St Mary's.



Envelopes are available at the church entrances during the Lenten season if you would like to support the work of Caritas Australia during this Lenten season. Envelopes may be placed on the collection plate.

Prayer:
Jesus, write your wisdom on my heart and empower me to live the joy of the Gospel in our world. Amen.

(from the book -
A resurrected life - Daily Reflections for Lent)

St Mary's Church Gardens Maintenance

Please take the additional sheet that is available in the Church regarding an opportunity to help and support to maintain the St Mary's Church Gardens.



ENTRANCE: GALILEE SONG

Deep within my heart I feel
 Voices whispering to me,
 Words that I can't understand
 Meanings I can't clearly hear,
 Calling me to follow close,
 Lest I leave myself behind,
 Calling me to walk into
 Evening shadows one more time!

Refrain: *So I leave my boats behind,
 Leave them on familiar shores,
 Set my heart upon the deep,
 Follow you again my Lord!*

In my memories I know
 How you send familiar rains,
 Falling gently on my days,
 Dancing patterns on my pain.
 And I need to learn once more,
 In the fortress of my mind,
 To believe in falling rain
 As I travel deserts dry!

As I gaze into the night,
 Down the future of my years,
 I'm not sure I want to walk
 Past horizons that I know.
 But I feel my spirit called
 Like a stirring deep within,
 Restless, 'til I live again
 Beyond the fears that close me in!

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PSALM RESPONSE: (SAID)

YOUR WAYS, O LORD, ARE LOVE AND TRUTH
 TO THOSE WHO KEEP YOUR COVENANT.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus,
 Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ.
 No one lives on bread alone,
 but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.

Praise and honour to you, Lord Jesus,
 Praise and honour Lord Jesus Christ.

COMMUNION: OUR SUPPER INVITATION

Take of My Bread and eat, drink My new Wine.
 Take of My life and live, branch of My vine.
 Let Me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
 Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find
 Just what the journey means; walk while there's time.
 Food for the journey will answer your need.
 Don't be afraid to walk; love, My love will lead.

Take of My Bread and eat, drink My new Wine.
 Be a sweet nourishment to good friends of Mine.
 Let Me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
 Share with your people, that love has its will.

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THANKSGIVING: ASHES

We rise again from ashes, from the good we've failed to do.
 We rise again from ashes, to create ourselves anew.
 If all our world is ashes, then must our lives be true,
 An offering of ashes, an offering to you.

We offer you our failures, we offer you attempts,
 The gifts not fully given, the dreams not fully dreamt.
 Give our stumblings direction, give our vision wider view,
 An offering of ashes, an offering to you.

Then rise again from ashes, let healing come to pain,
 Though spring has turned to winter and sunshine turned to rain.
 The rain we'll use for growing, and create the world anew
 From an offering of ashes, an offering to you?

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RECESSIONAL: PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR

Refrain:
*Praise to You, O Christ, our Saviour,
 Word of the Father, calling us to life;
 Son of God Who leads us to freedom:
 Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ!*

You are the Word Who calls us out of darkness;
 You are the Word Who leads us into light;
 You are the Word Who brings us through the desert:
 Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ! R./

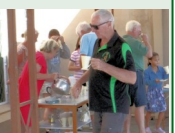
You are the One Whom prophets hoped and longed for;
 You are the One Who speaks to us today;
 You are the One Who leads us to our future:
 Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ! R./

You are the Word Who calls us to be servants;
 You are the Word Whose only law is love;
 You are the Word-made-flesh Who lives among us:
 Glory to You, Lord Jesus Christ! R./

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INVITATION TO SUNDAY MORNING TEA

Each Sunday after the 8am Mass we host a morning tea. Please join us. Meet and talk to your fellow parishioners.



Please remember in your prayers:

Those in ill health: Ailsa Wickbold, Justin Percival, Margaret Twomey, Betty Hove, Evelyn Keys, Carmel Bird, Gregory Massingham, David Brettell, Anna Pecar and Ame Cox.

The Recently Deceased: Exequiel Cubero, Maureen Duffy, Val Williams, and Brian Hodges.

Anniversary of Death: Sally D'cruz, Brian O' Duffy, Jerome Parker, Edward James Rooney, Sheila Rooney, Brian Berry and Gavin Wright.